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CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,000,000

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HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1903. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—

Sterling Reserve \$10,000,000

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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the daily balance.

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For 12 months, 4 per cent per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1903. [13]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
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INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per
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Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 per cent, per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [14]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000

Paid up Capital \$324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Chief Manager,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %

Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [15]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Taels 5,000,000

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H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1902. [16]

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NEW YORK
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ESTABLISHED 1864.

U.S. Gold
PAID UP CAPITAL \$2,000,000

SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,180,000

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LONDON BANKERS:

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General Banking and Exchange business
transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED

On Current Accounts at 2 1/2 per annum.

On Fixed Deposits at 5 per cent.

" 6 " 4 "

" 3 " 3 "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [16]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
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FOR STEAMERS. TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

MOJI and KOBE { NANKIN { About 18th { Freight only.
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LONDON & CO. { BENGAL { Noon, 23rd { See Special
A. L. Valentini { May Advertisement.

SHANGHAI { CHUSAN { About 23rd { Freight or
C. L. Daniel { May Passage.

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Hongkong, 14th May, 1903. [16]

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

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Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.

ZIETEN WEDNESDAY, 27th May.

STUTTGART THURSDAY, 11th June.

ROON THURSDAY, 25th June.

PREUSSEN THURSDAY, 9th July.

HAMBURG THURSDAY, 23rd July.

PRINZ HEINRICH THURSDAY, 6th August.

SACHSEN THURSDAY, 20th August.

KRAUTSCHOU THURSDAY, 3rd September.

BAVERN THURSDAY, 17th September.

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Intimations.

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RAINCOATS, UMBRELLAS,

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1903. [16]

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KOWLOON.

R. F. DALY, J. W. OSOBNE,
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QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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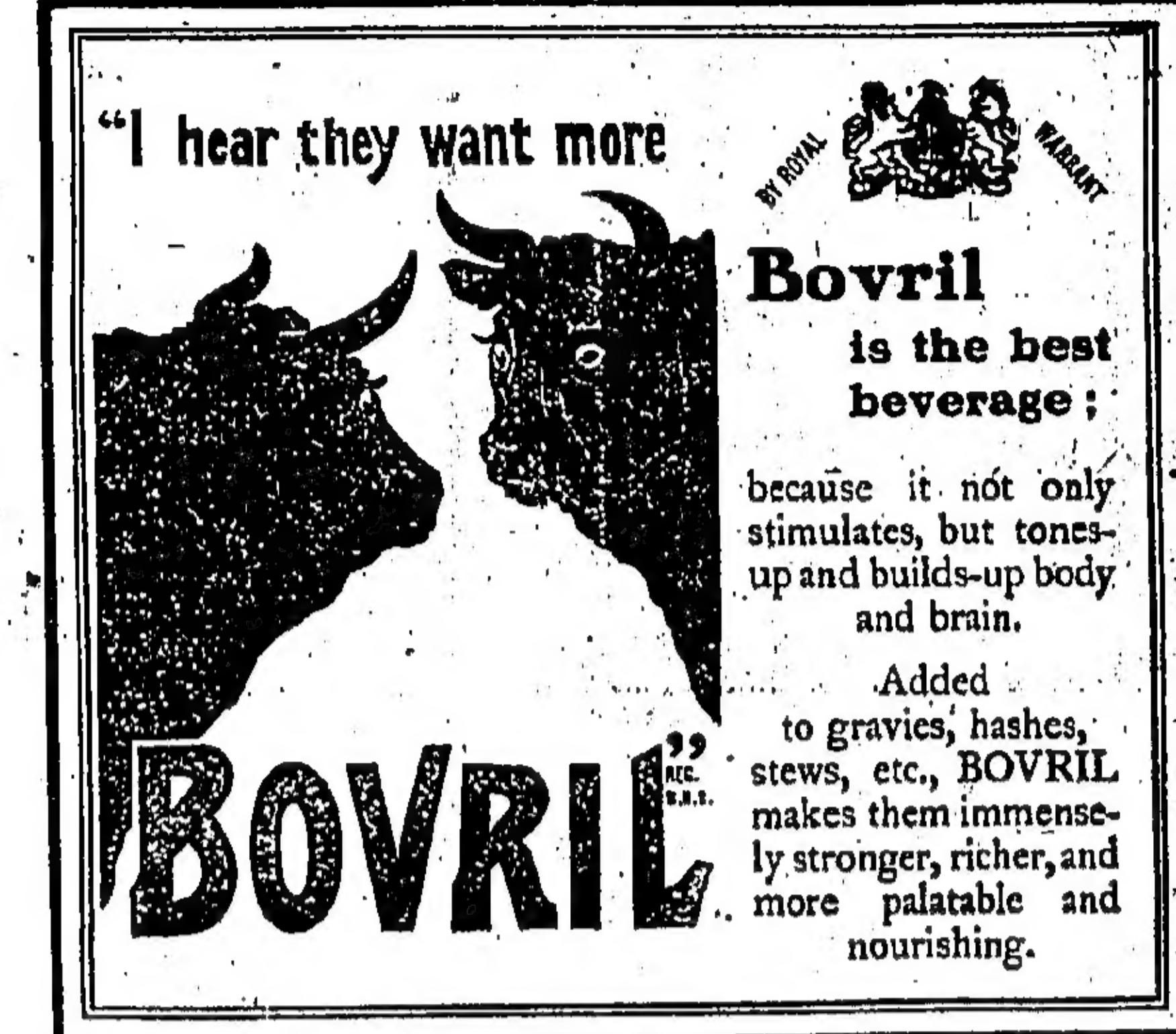
Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to

THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902. [16]

Intimations.



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THE MITSUI-BUSSAN KAISHA
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LONDON BRANCH—34, LIME STREET, E.C.
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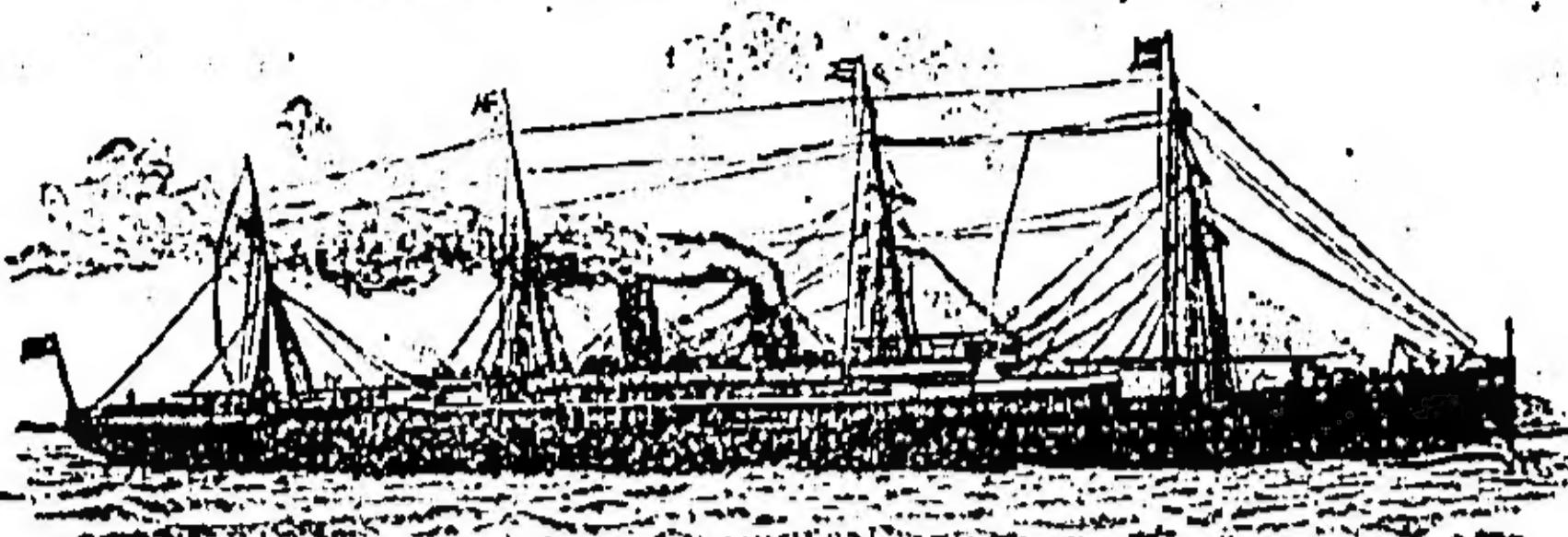
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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"GAELIC"	FRIDAY, 22nd May, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
"CITY OF PEKING"	SATURDAY, 6th June, at Noon.
"DODIC"	TUESDAY, 10th June, at Noon.
"NIPON MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 11th June, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	THURSDAY, 12th June, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	SATURDAY, 14th July, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	TUESDAY, 21st July, at Noon.
"KOREA"	TUESDAY, 28th July, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE O. & O. Company's Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 22nd instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States of Canada.

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Special rates (First-class only) to European Points, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Points, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1903.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)
"EMPERESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).		
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"	3,882 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 27th May.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 3rd June.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 24th June.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 15th July.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 22nd July.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 5th August.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 12th August.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 26th August.

THE magnificent "EMPERESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS) saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIA OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

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Hongkong, 13th March, 1903.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight.
SEGOWIA	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	2nd June.	Freight.
Förck	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	16th June.	Freight and Passengers.
STRASSBURG	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	30th June.	Freight.
Madsen	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	14th July.	Freight.
SUEVIA	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	28th July.	Freight and Passengers.
Böck	HAVRE and HAMBURG.		
NÜRNBERG	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
Jahburg	HAVRE and HAMBURG.		
WURZBURG	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
V. Böhmer	HAVRE and HAMBURG.		
Röden	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
NUBIA	NEW YORK VIA PORTS.	31st May.	Freight.
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For further particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
HONGKONG OFFICE,
No. 1, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1903.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM"	2,563 tons.	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN"	2,338 "	G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSON"	2,260 "	A. W. Dixon.
"HAN KOW"	3,973 "	C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN"	1,660 "	J. J. Lossius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at about 7 A.M., 10 A.M. and 6 P.M. except Saturday at 7 A.M. and 10 A.M. and undays at 6 P.M. only.

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5.30 P.M. (Sundays excepted).

These Steamers, carrying H.M.'s Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN"	1,998 tons.	Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at about 1 P.M. as per special Schedule.	3 Sunday	Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at about 7.30 A.M. excepted.

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5.30 P.M. (Sundays excepted).

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CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHIAN"	2,19 tons.	Captain T. Hamlin.
"	"	"

This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M. and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE IND. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "NANNING"	569 tons.	Captain R. D. Thomas.
"SAINAM"	588 "	B. Branch.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at about 8 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,

18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel.

Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903. [537c]

THE SUICIDE OF AN N. Y. K. CAPTAIN.

From a passenger by the *Kawachi Maru* the *Malay Mail* has ascertained certain facts connected with the death of the late Captain Thompson which will prove of melancholy interest to many of his friends here. Our contemporary says that it appears that from the moment of leaving England the deceased was troubled in his mind with regard to the safety of his ship, fancying that a number of barrels of acid, which were firmly lashed and wedged in the scuppers of the lower deck, would become unfastened in the rough weather, causing great damage. The *Kawachi Maru* experienced a big gale and high seas in the Mediterranean, and this was the cause of the late Captain's temporary insanity. Both the first and second officers had great difficulty in preventing him from altering the course, and on several occasions the ship made complete circles in the height of the gale, and it was lucky that the passengers were kept in complete ignorance, otherwise undoubtedly there would have been a panic. The *Kawachi Maru* was kept eleven hours in the Canal by a steamer which had gone aground, and this also preyed on the captain's mind. Finally, on Easter Sunday, he disappeared, being last seen by the first officer, not by Mr. James as stated in the *Ceylon* papers, at four o'clock in the morning. The ship was turned back at 7.20 but no trace was found. Great credit is due to the first and second officers, and the chief engineer, for the admirable way in which they looked after the welfare of the passengers from the moment of leaving the Albert Dock until the arrival of the ship at Colombo, and a signed testimonial to that effect was presented to the former before reaching Singapore.

SINGAPORE AND PLAGUE.

It is a standing subject for wonder and for frequent newspaper comment, how Singapore, placed as it were in a central position with regard to plague-stricken and otherwise infected countries, should enjoy what is practically a total immunity from epidemics. The Settlement is by no means free from disease; sporadic cases of small-pox and cholera are continually occurring, and there have been a few cases of the same bubonic plague which has considerably depopulated Hongkong and Bombay, and is now rife in Calcutta. The reason why Singapore escapes the terrible experiences of other places is due to the effectual measures adopted by the Municipal Health Officer and his staff who, fortunately for the community, are given a free hand in adopting what measures they think proper for conserving the health of the town. An illustration of the methods pursued by them may be of interest not only to our local readers, but also those in distant lands, says the *Straits Times*. On the 1st ult., the body of a Chinese girl, a victim of bubonic plague, was discovered on the third floor of a large house in Hongkong Street. The place was used as a store. During the following two days, wayfarers and residents were surprised to observe huge fires burning in the street. Inquiries elicited the explanation that everything in that store which was likely to have plague germs in, on, or about it, was being destroyed by fire. In addition to this the ceiling of the upper floor was burnt and the house partly unroofed to admit light and air. The ground floor (earth) was dug up a foot and submitted to the fiery ordeal. The plaster on the walls was knocked off and similarly dealt with. Finally the house was washed down from garret to cellar with disinfectants. It may here be pertinently asked if the public ever bestowed a thought on the risk run by the men who carry out these operations, and, assuming that the risk is recognised, how far the public are disposed to remunerate the men who practically daily risk their own lives to preserve the public from the risks of contagion. For the carrying out of the dangerous work alluded to, the Sanitary Inspector of the district received the sum of \$2 and the Chief Inspector one dollar, as disinfecting pay. Comment is needless, but it may be added that it is surprising that men can be got to do the work on such terms. It may be argued that such drastic measures are not necessary. Those who argue so obviously know nothing about the spread of bubonic plague. Many sacrifice it entirely to rats, forgetting that fleas are parasites common to rats and men, and may be found in abundance where there are unwashed cats and dogs. At any rate it is clear that these drastic measures have so far operated to the advantage of the community in general, and of the shipping and trading sections in particular. Such thorough-going action must necessarily cost a trifle in the way of compensating those whose property has to be destroyed, but as this cost is incurred for the benefit of the public it should be, and, no doubt, is cheerfully borne.

Auction.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 18th day of May, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 21 Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.		S.	E.	N.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	
		ft.	ft.											
1	Adjoining 1st and 2nd Conduit Roads.	55	55	143	300	6	120							
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Hongkong, 9th May, 1903.

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Hongkong, 6th May, 1903. [5566]

INSURANCE.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1903. [25]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

IT is proposed to hold a MEETING of PROPERTY Owners in the SANITARY BOARD ROOM, on MONDAY, May 18th, at 3 P.M., for the purpose of considering Sections 49 and 54 of Ordinance 1 of 1903.

By Order,

G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

Sanitary Board Room,
Hongkong, 9th May, 1903. [5720]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on TUESDAY, the 19th May, 1903, at 3.30 P.M., at the CHAMBER ROOM, CITY HALL, for the following purposes:

- To receive the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1902.
- To pass the proposed New Rules and By-Laws.
- To transact any other business in accordance with the terms of By-Law V.

By Order,

A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1903. [578c]

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COVENANT'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at NOON, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th MAY, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 20th MAY, both Days inclusive.

R. J. MACGOWAN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903. [568e]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Company (since its Registration) will be held at the OFFICE of the Company on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, at ELEVEN o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARERS will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 22nd instant, until SATURDAY, the 30th instant, Both Days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares will be registered.

By Order,

A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1903. [589e]

FROZEN FOOD AND FRUITS.

DEPOT No. 3, ICE HOUSE STREET,
Telephone No. 343.

SUPPLIES of FROZEN AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE are received by the China Navigation Co.'s steamers, including Mutton, Lamb, Pork, Sucking Pigs, Rabbits, Hares, Turkey, Pork Sausages, Milk (concentrated), Fresh Butter, Cheese, Tinned Sheep and Ox Tongues, Choice Tinned Fruits and Fresh Apples.

Pass Books will be supplied to, and Acccounts kept with, well known residents.

Price Lists on application.

LAU KUK TONG,
Manager,
The Hongkong Frozen Food Supply.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1903. [579e]

CHINESE AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY.

IMPORTERS EXPORTERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

THE Company's OFFICES are established at Nos. 20 and 21, CONNAUGHT ROAD opposite DOUGLAS PIER.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [543e]

MEE CHEUNG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
ICE-HOUSE ROAD.

I am now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore, ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICALLY in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.

GROUPS AND VIEWS
a specialty.

1st November, 1902.

LEE LOONG.

DEALER IN
Furniture, Blackwood, Plated Glass,
Crockery Ware, Brass and Iron
Bedsteads and Rattan Sofas
for whole set.

JUST ARRIVED.

No. 1 & 3, D'Aguilar Street,
Behind Hongkong Dispensary.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [496e]

Intimations.

THE WORD OF HONOUR.

The men who do as they say; the things that prove to be what they were said to be, how cheering it is to come upon them. We all hate to be deceived; especially when the deception is intentional. But all men are not liars, even if David did say so in his haste. If they were society would be impossible. Everybody knows that business is based on credit, on faith. Millions are bought and sold daily on nothing more solid than the pledged promises of men,—not written, merely verbal. The Stock Exchanges are often called nests of gamblers, yet nowhere is a promise held in greater honour. Therefore when we say that the tried and effective remedy called

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION

never deceives any who resort to it in hope of benefit and cure, we may expect to be believed.

For this assurance is given on what it has done in the past in countless cases,—on its record. It is only recommended to accomplish what it was made to accomplish. Its action in Chlorosis, Anæmia, Scrofula, General Debility, Throat and Lung Troubles, Blood Impurities, etc. is convincing. It is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. Dr. Austin D. Irvine, of Canada, says: "I have used it in cases where cod liver oil was indicated but could not be taken by the patient, and the results following were very gratifying." It is effective from the first dose and agrees with the most sensitive and nervous stomachs. One bottle proves its intrinsic value. It cannot deceive or disappoint you, and comes to the rescue of those who have received no benefit from any other treatment. It stands for the medical triumphs of the age. "Watch carefully against imitations." Sold by chemists here and everywhere and A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.

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Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"GAELIC"

are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 19th instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 22nd instant or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

E. W. TILDEN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [11]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1903. [1874d]

THE PORTLAND AND ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "INDRAPURA,"
FROM PORTLAND (OR.), YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

The above steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

ALLAN CAMERON,

General Agent.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1903. [1266c]

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

S H E R R Y .

Per doz. Per bot.

B. SUPERIOR PALE DRY,		
Dinner Wine, Green Seal		
Capsule	\$12.00	\$1.00
C. MANZANILLA, PALE		
NATURAL SHERRY,		
White Capsule	13.50	1.20
CC. SUPERIOR OLD DRY,		
PALE NATURAL		
SHERRY, Red Seal		
Capsule	16.00	1.40
D. VERY SUPERIOR OLD		
PALE DRY, Choice Old		
Wine, White Seal Capsule	18.00	1.50
E. EXTRASUPERIOR OLD		
PALE DRY, Very Finest		
Quality (old bottled),		
Black Seal Capsule... ...	27.00	2.25
B, C, and CC are excellent Dinner Wines,		
D and E are After-Dinner Wines of a		
very fine Vintage.		
GUARANTEED SUPERIOR XERES		
WINES.		

The following Wines, bottled in Europe, have been specially selected, and procured from the celebrated firm of Messrs. Geo. G. Sandeman, Sons & Co., of London, Oporto and Xeres—

	Per doz.	Per bot.
LIGHT DRY	\$16.50	\$1.40
SOLERA	24.00	2.00
VERY PALE DRY ...	24.00	2.00
FULL GOLDEN ...	27.00	2.25
PALE DRY NUTTY ...	30.00	2.50
FINE OLD BROWN ...	40.00	3.50

MADEIRA.

	Per doz.	Per bot.
GOOD	\$16.50	\$1.40
FINE	27.00	2.25

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED;

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

TELEPHONE NO. 356.
CABLE ADDRESS: "ACHEE," HONGKONG.
A. B. C. CODE, 4th EDITION.

ESTABLISHED 1859.

A CHEE & CO.,
祥利廣
17A, QUEEN'S ROAD.FURNITURE
DEALERS.DRAWING-ROOM,
DINING-ROOM,
and BED-ROOM.

FURNITURE.

ELECTRO-PLATED,
GLASS, and
CHINA WARES.

PASTEUR'S MICROBE-PROOF

FILTERS,

ROCHESTER LAMPS,

WHITE TURKISH TOWELS.

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COOKING RANGES,
KITCHEN UTENSILS, and
HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES.PHOTOGRAPHIC
DEPARTMENT.DEVELOPING and PRINTING
UNDERTAKEN for AMATEURS.

GOOD WORK.

PROMPT RETURN.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1902.

[72d]

CARMICHAEL AND
CLARKE,
CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND
SHIPBUILDERS,
SURVEYORS, AND CONTRACTORS.

REPAIRS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

TELEGRAMS: "CARMICHAEL," Hongkong.
A. B. C. Code, 4th Edition.

Lieber's Standard Code.

TELEPHONE, 232.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

[355e]

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for publication in The "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" should be addressed to the Editor, 1, Ice House Road, and should be accompanied by the Writer's Name and Address.

Ordinary business communications should be addressed to The Manager.

The Editor will not undertake to be responsible for any rejected MS., nor to return any Contribution.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1903.

HONGKONG AND THE PLAGUE.

A most important contribution to the literature of plague is Dr. Simpson's "Report on the causes and continuance of plague in Hongkong, and suggestions as to remedial measures," which contains the result of his six months' investigation of the disease in the Colony. His conclusions have resulted in a sheaf of valuable facts and recommendations, which were published in London and forwarded to the office of the Colonial Secretary in Hongkong from whom we have received a copy. The volume consists of 125 foolscap folio pages with many diagrams and a large coloured map of South China showing the provinces of Yunnan, Kwangsi, Kwangtung and Fukien, with the rivers and trade routes and the localities infected with plague. The work is loaded with matter of great local interest, and it is next to impossible to summarise it satisfactorily, or do much more than state some of his conclusions. Dr. Simpson arrived in the Colony on January 5th, 1902, with instructions to "investigate and report upon the causes and continuance of bubonic plague, and to advise remedial measures," but as the scope of his commission was somewhat wide in its terms, and the time at his disposal limited, he states that he confined his investigations to the more obvious practical points and undertook three lines of research, to ascertain (1) the extent of the prevalence of plague in Southern China, a country with which Hongkong has large commercial relations; (2) the behaviour of plague in Hongkong, the conditions which favour its spread and continuance there, and whether, as in Cape Colony, rat plague is intimately connected with, and precedes as a rule, human plague; and (3) whether other animals besides rats are affected with plague, and if so the mode by which they become infected. It is impossible not to be considerably impressed with the interesting and important points embodied in those researches. They are broad, but well defined, and Dr. Simpson has gone a long way in sifting to the bottom and giving an intelligent history of plague in the Orient, and some very practical ideas regarding its prevention. As to the first line of research, he observes that the origin of many diseases are attributed to China, and although the plague of the 14th century, subsequently known as the Black Death, which ravaged Europe, is said to have emanated from Northern China, he submits that the evidence on the point is not at all satisfactory. But so far as the existing pandemic of plague is concerned he is assured that it spread from Southern China, where it has prevailed in an endemic form for sixty years or more, but it was not until the disease reached the Delta of the West River, and devastated Canton and then visited Hongkong that it excited any interest. Dr. Simpson draws attention to the fact that Hongkong being an entrepot for goods, with very intimate connection with Canton, and with warehouses full of the produce to be taken into the various provinces in exchange for native produce, the epidemic diseases of the Colony synchronize to a very great extent with those prevailing in the chief centres and villages of Southern China. It is clear, he says, that plague in Hongkong was derived from Canton or its environs, where nothing is done to mitigate the effects of any infectious disease. Consequently, it is not surprising to find that the Hongkong epidemics are much less severe than those of Canton, and do not at any time approach in proportion the mortality of that city. The deaths from the disease in this Colony since 1894 to the end of 1902 to date number 9,819, and if we add the cases to date this year we get a grand total of 10,426. Dr. Simpson then alludes to the seasonal prevalence of plague in the Colony, and states that in Hongkong it possesses distinct seasons for its prevalence. In the autumn or winter months it is lowest or even absent, and in the summer months, especially in May and June, it reaches its maximum. Explanation of the seasonal prevalence of plague must, he says, at the present stage of our knowledge, be purely theoretical. Turning to the question of infection, he reiterates the oft-told tale that it adheres to old, dark, damp, and rat-infested houses, while, in his opinion, another cause favouring the endemicity of the disease is the insufficient latrine accommodation and the insanitary condition of many of the existing latrines. After quoting facts bearing on the relation of rat plague to human plague, the writer observes, "the dissemination of plague by the infected rat is, it appears, as marked in Hongkong as it was in Cape Town, in South Africa, and the occurrence of rat plague on board ship antecedent to human plague is an additional link in the chain of evidence of the important rôle which rat plague plays in the spread of human plague." Dealing with the disease in animals other than rats, Dr. Simpson points out that general observations in China have led to the belief that pigs, oxen, buffaloes, and chickens die of

plague, but further experiments are required to settle the question. The report gives in detail the result of experiments demonstrating that pigs, calves, sheep, monkeys, hens, pigeons, turkeys, geese, and ducks are more or less susceptible to plague of a fatal nature, and shows that man with plague can infect the domestic animals, and they in turn can affect one another. As is generally admitted, the rat is apparently the most important agent in disseminating the disease, but Dr. Simpson submits that it also requires to be further investigated in order that its causes, of spread, and method of prevention may be ascertained. The great question, however, which seems to have non-plussed all the authorities not only in Hongkong, but in other parts of the world where plague is endemic is—what to do? Dr. Simpson deals at length with remedial measures, and in concluding summary says they depend on what is known of plague, modified by the local conditions. Those regarding the external causes, he observes, consist in controlling as far as possible the avenues by which infection is introduced into the Colony. "For this control, it is necessary for the Government to be regularly informed as to where plague exists, but, even with this information it has to be recognised that, with the southern coast of China in the condition described, Hongkong is continually subjected to the risk of re-infection and that no amount of precaution, which is within the bounds of practicability can do more than lessen that risk so long as China takes no action." In regard to internal causes, he points out that, "the remedies lie in the creation of a special plague organization to combat plague, and the centralization of all sanitary matters into a Public Health Department, with a trained medical man skilled in sanitary matters, as its administrative Chief, who shall be ex-officio president of the Sanitary Board, and who shall be responsible to the Government for the efficient administration of the department." By these measures, he concludes, an effectual control will be obtained over the outbreaks of plague and it will be possible to deal gradually but effectively and on a commensurate scale with the numerous problems connected with the housing question and the general insanitary condition of Hongkong which serve to perpetuate the continuance of plague in the Colony.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE prices of postal notes are: 1/-, 6d cents 1/6, 90 cents, 5/-, 3/10, 10/-, \$6.20, 20/-, \$2.40.

Keep your eyes open for C. E. LeMunyon's locals.—Advt.

MR. BRUCE SHEPHERD has been appointed temporarily a member of the Land Court, vice Mr. H. L. Dennys.

PORTIONS of the ill-fated *Pakshan* still remain at the bottom of the harbour, a menace to shipping. Operations continue to be carried on as the numerous explosions each day amply testify.

THE Hon. Dr. Ho Kai has been re-appointed, and the Hons. R. G. Shewan and G. Stewart appointed (during the absence from the Colony of the Hon. C. S. Sharp and Mr. E. Osborne) members of the Medical Board.

DR. W. V. M. KOCH, M.B., M.D., EDIN., lately senior assistant surgeon of the Colonial Hospital, Trinidad, to whom we referred at some length a few days since, has been appointed an assistant surgeon in the medical department, Hongkong.

WATCH for C. E. LeMunyon's locals in this paper in a few days.—Advt.

A REWARD of \$200 has been offered by the Acting Captain Superintendent of Police to any one who can give information as to the party or parties connected with the murder of a native woman, on the night of the 8th instant, on Morrison Hill Road, leading to Wild Dell buildings.

C. E. LeMunyon has an announcement to make to you very shortly; watch for it.—Advt.

WORD has been received in Washington that Russians are invading Korea in great numbers, says a New York wire of 12th inst. The movement is against the protests of Japan and serves to augment, if possible, the war feeling which exists among Japanese statesmen toward Russia.

WHILE a grand festa was in progress at the Cigar factory La Pazy Buen Viale on Calle Asuncion and Lazarevaz San Nicholas on Saturday night an image of the Virgin Mary which adorns the factory and family shrine was robbed of all its jewels valued; by a conservative estimate, at twenty thousand dollars.

ABOUT three months ago Excise officer No. 44, a native, was discharged on a charge of attempting to extort money from opium smugglers. Yesterday afternoon, information was given to the Opium Farmers that the same man was carrying on smuggling at Aplichau island, near Aberdeen. A search party was instituted; and the man was arrested. Mr. J. H. Kemp ordered him to pay a fine of \$10 or do two months.

WATCH C. E. LeMunyon's announcement in this paper.—Advt.

THE fleet of the Tan Kim Tian Steamship Company is being acquired by Mr. Wee Tiong Han, the Mayor of China of Samarang, for \$700,000. The new owner is at present touring on the Continent with his family and Mr. Tan Hup Leong. Mr. Wee Tiong Han is extremely wealthy. He practically controls the sugar trade between Java and Hongkong, and the rice trade between Rangoon and Saigon, and Java. The result of the deal may be an instant increase in the shipping now run by the Tan Kim Tian Company.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

Keep track of C. E. LeMunyon's locals.—Advt.

IT is notified in the *Gazette* that a sale will be held on Tuesday, the 2nd inst., at the P.W.D. of Rural Building Lot, No. 114, below Mount Kellett Road, for a term of 75 years; with the option of renewal for a further term of 75 years. The boundary measurements are 225 by 225 by 110 by 110, and the contents in square feet, 24,750, the annual rent is \$142 and the upset price \$2,070. The sum of \$10,000 has to be spent by the purchaser on rateable improvements.

C. I. O.V.I.E., who is not unknown at the Magistrate, was brought before Mr. F. A. Hazelton on a charge of being drunk and disorderly at Des Vaux Road yesterday evening. He was fined \$5 or 14 days. Doyle has given the police a great deal of trouble, and his previous convictions for similar offences show that during three years he has been in prison no less than two years and nine months. On being led away to the prison he was heard to say "Same old story; going home again."

AN extraordinary general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held at the Golf House, Happy Valley, on Monday next, at 5.30 p.m., when the following resolution will be submitted and, if approved, passed with or without my modification or alteration:

"That on Friday afternoons during the months of next June, July, August, and September the Club House and links at Happy Valley be thrown open to ladies introduced by members."

THE 25TH MAY,

A PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Monday the 25th instant (as the anniversary of the birthday of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria falls on Sunday) to be a public holiday.

THE NEW TERRITORY.

Rules relating to Crown rent and applicable to the districts of Sha Tau Kok Im Tin Tsui, Tun Mun and Tai O, in the New Territory, are published in the *Gazette*.

With a view to the recovery of arrears the officer appointed by the Governor in that behalf, may issue an attachment and may seize by virtue thereof any personal property of the defaulter and may also seize any live stock or effects or any crops to whomsoever belonging which may be found on the land in respect of which the arrears are due and may after the prescribed notice sell the same by public auction in the prescribed manner.

STEAM WATER BOAT CO.

A NEW BOAT.

Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co. have just completed their second steam water boat for this company, and yesterday handed over the new craft which is capable of carrying 200 tons of fresh water. She is 105 feet long by 20 feet beam, and on her trial

TELEGRAMS.

(Renters.)

Salonika.

LONDON, 14th May.
The Austrian squadron, with the exception of one vessel, has left Salonika.The Port of London Bill.
The Port of London Bill has passed its second reading.The Australian Strike Bill.
The Australian anti-strike Bill is a drastic measure, which makes the collection and distribution of strike funds, attendance at strike meetings, printing documents and encouraging strikes, punishable offences.

LATER.

Debate on the Navy Estimates.
In a debate on the Navy estimates Sir Charles Dilke urged that the Anglo-French friendship should be utilized to obtain an agreement between France, Russia and Great Britain with a view to the reduction of naval armaments. Mr. Arnold Forster said the Admiralty must deal with facts as they are and not as they might be; that all the Powers were increasingly active and notably the one from which the suggestion of a reduction originally emanated. The Admiralty was only fulfilling a plain duty in preparing to meet any emergency.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

The following is the report for presentation to shareholders at the fifth ordinary annual meeting to be held at the company's office, No. 2, Connaught Road, at noon, on Wednesday, the 26th inst. — The directors have the pleasure to submit to shareholders their report, with a statement of accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1903.

ACCOUNTS.

The net earnings of the boats, after paying all working expenses, were \$2,973 50 as against \$28,182,18 last year, being an increase of \$14,291.32. The amount at credit of "Profit and Loss" Account after paying for repairs and placing \$7,750 to credit of "Insurance Fund" is \$12,337.66 which, with the approval of shareholders, it is proposed to appropriate as follows: —

Directors' and Auditor's fees \$ 1,000.00
Dividend of 12% \$ 18,000.00
Write off Boats 5,000.00
" Goodwill 1,000.00
" Turnstiles 500.00
" Ice House Street Pier 1,500.00
Transfer to Reserve Fund 15,000.00
Carry forward to new account 337.66

\$12,337.66

BOATS.
The old boats *Evening Star* and *Rising Star* have been sold. The five double-deckers have been running satisfactorily throughout the year.INSURANCE FUND.
The directors have deemed it expedient to open an insurance account, crediting same yearly with 5% of the book value of the boats.DIRECTORS.
In accordance with the Articles of Association Mr. A. J. Raymond retires, but offers himself for re-election.

Mr. D. M. Moseley resigned on leaving the colony and his place has been taken by the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., whose appointment requires confirmation.

AUDITOR.
Mr. W. H. Potts has audited the accounts now presented and offers himself for re-election.N. A. SIEBS,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1903.

BALANCE SHEET, 30th APRIL, 1903.
Liabilities.To Capital —
10,000 shares @ \$10
each, fully paid up \$100,000.00
10,000 shares @ \$10
each \$5 paid up 50,000.00To Reserve Fund as per
last account 20,00.00
Transferred from
Profit & Loss account 15,000.00Insurance Fund 35,000.00
Unclaimed dividends 7,750.00
" Sundry creditors 4,380.00Accounts payable 8,092.34
Directors' and auditors' fees 1,000.00

Dividend 1,000.00

Balance of Profit and
Loss account 337.66

\$20,663.00

ASSETS.
By Value of boats as per
last account \$170,000.00Less sale of *Evening Star* and *Rising Star* 15,000.00

Less written off 5,000.00

Value of goodwill as
per last account \$ 5,000.00

Less written off 10,00.00

Value of turnstiles as
per last account \$ 2,000.03

Less written off 500.00

Cost of alterations to
Ice House Street
Pier as per last account \$ 5,000.00

Less written off 1,500.00

Accounts receivable 130.51

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank 30,748.89

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank
No. 2, account 48.60

Hongkong Hotel Debentures 300,000.00

Cash in hand 300.00

\$20,663.00

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To repairs and alterations to boats \$9,152.44

Insurance fund 7,750.00

Balance appropriated as follows:

" Directors' and auditors' fees \$1,000.00

Dividend of 12% 18,000.00

Written off Boats 5,000.00

" Goodwill 1,000.00

" Turnstiles 500.00

" Ice House St. Pier 1,500.00

\$120,663.00

ASK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER.

A G. Girault.

Transferred to Reserve fund	15,000.00
Carried to new account	337.66
	42,337.06
	\$59,339.80
By Balance from fast account	\$177.08
" Net earnings of boats	42,973.50
" Interest	956.47
" Scrip fees	50.00
" Premium on sale of 2 forfeited shares	22.00
" Premium on second call, 10,000 shares at \$1.31	15,000.00
" Unclaimed dividends forfeited	60.05
	\$59,339.80
RESERVE FUND.	
To Balance	\$ 35,000.00
	\$ 35,000.00
By Balance from fast account	\$ 20,000.00
" Transfer from Profit and Loss account	15,000.00
	\$ 35,000.00
INSURANCE FUND.	
To Balance	\$ 7,750.00
By Profit and Loss account	\$ 7,750.00

R. J. MAGGOWAN, Acting Secretary.	
I have examined the books and vouchers of the Company, and certify the above statements are in accordance therewith.	
W. HUTTON POTTS, Auditor.	
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903.	
REPORT OF THE ACTING REGISTRAR GENERAL	
FOR THE YEAR 1902.	
The Acting Registrar General, Mr. C. McI. Messer, has issued his report on the work of his department for the year 1902. We make the following extracts: —	
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.	
The following is an estimate of the population of the Colony, exclusive of the New Territory, on the 30th June, 1902: —	
British and Foreign Chinese. Total Community.	
18,524 293,300 311,824	
The population of the New Territory, according to the census taken by the Police in 1901, was 102,254.	
MARRIAGES.	
The number of marriages solemnized during the year was 129 as compared with 140 in 1901. The scale of fees has been amended by Ordinance No. 15 of 1902.	
BIRTHS.	
The births registered during the year were as follows: —	
Males. Females. Total Chinese..... 633 333 966 Non-Chinese... 123 111 234 756 444 1,201	
This is equal to a general birth-rate of 3.8 per 1,000 as compared with 3.6 in 1901, and 3.4 in 1899. The birth-rate among the non-Chinese community alone was 12.6 per 1,000, compared with 11.9 per 1,000 in 1901. The nationalities of the non-Chinese parents were as follows: — British 98, Portuguese 70, Indian 27, German 16, Malay 16, French 3, Japanese 2, and Spanish and Norwegian one each. The preponderance of male births over female births is still very marked among the Chinese community, being in the proportion of 190 male births to every 100 female births. The proportion among the non-Chinese community was 111 to 100 as compared with 107 to 100 in the previous year.	
DEATHS.	
The number of Chinese deaths registered does not give an accurate record of the total number of deaths of Chinese that have occurred in the Colony, for many of the infants that die during the first month or so of life remain unregistered, although their deaths must be registered to obtain the necessary burial orders. It has been customary, therefore, to add to the registered births the number of infants of one month old and under that die in the various Convents, or are found by the Police in the streets or left at the doors of the Convents. The number during 1902 was 230 males and 363 females, making a total of 593; and the addition of these figures to the registered Chinese births gives a total of 1,590 as compared with 1,410 during the previous year. The corrected birth-rate is, therefore, 6.1 per 1,000, while among the Chinese the rate becomes 5.3 per 1,000. The total Chinese births as calculated in the above manner show a proportion of only 125 male births to every 100 female births, while the dead bodies of infants found in the streets or left at the doors of the Convents show 65 males to every 100 females, the explanation being that the Chinese have very little regard for the value of the lives of female children.	
During the year 1902 there were 27 prosecutions under the Registration of Births and Deaths Ordinance, in which 31 persons were prosecuted. There were 4 cases for failing to report birth, 22 for unlawful removal of dead bodies, and one case of failing to report death. The number of deaths in the British and Foreign Community was 352, as compared with 412 in 1901. Of this, 26 died from plague. The number of deaths among the Chinese was 6,431 as compared with 6,670 in 1901. Of this, 546 died from plague.	
Six hundred and ninety-five certificates were issued by the Police for the removal of dead bodies from the Colony, as compared with 469 in 1901.	
EXHUMATION.	
Eighty-nine permits were issued to exhume human remains for removal to China or for reburial in the Colony.	
REGISTRATION OF BOOKS.	
Thirty-six books were registered during the year, as compared with 44 in 1901.	
VACCINATION ORDINANCE.	
The total number of vaccinations recorded during the year was 6,475, as compared with 5,937 in 1901. There were nine prosecutions under this Ordinance during the year. There were 7 cases of small-pox and 41 deaths during the year.	
DISRICT WATCHMEN.	
The contributions to the fund for the year were \$17,461.69 as compared with \$16,447.96 in 1901, being an increase of \$1,481.73. This is chiefly due to raising the rate of contribution from the shops from 4 per cent on the assessment to 4 per cent on the assessment. On the last two quarters of the year the contributions were paid at the increased rate, the contribution	

annual licence fee of \$50 being charged for these, and emigration houses for males only, the licence fee for which is \$10. During the year 1902, thirty-three hotels and seven emigration houses were registered.

Under the bye-laws, for the licensing, regulation and sanitary maintenance of boarding-houses for Chinese emigrants made under section 4 of Ordinance No. 37 of 1901, licences are only issued to persons whose characters are not satisfactory, and the Registrar General has power under those bye-laws to withdraw at any time a licence for a boarding-house, if in his opinion the keeper of such boarding-house has ceased to be a fit and proper person to keep such boarding-house.

CHINESE POSTAL HONGS.

Under Gazette notice 273 of 1902 made under section 9 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1902, licences for Chinese postal hongs are issued by the Registrar General. A fee of \$5 is charged for licensing each postal hong. The letter-carriers of these hongs are required to have a distinguishing badge worn on the right arm when actually engaged in the delivery of Chinese hong correspondence. This hong correspondence also has to pay postage. During the year 1902, 44 postal hongs were registered with 162 letter-carriers.

CHINESE RECREATION GROUND.

The new district watchmen's house situated at Tai Ping Shan was completed during the year and the watchmen belonging to the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th districts took up their quarters there on August 1st. There are quarters on the top floor of this building sufficient for the accommodation of one married European police sergeant or for two unmarried sergeants, who will be placed there by the Captain Superintendent of Police, and who will exercise some supervision over the men stationed there.

The pay of the district watchmen is insufficient to attract men of a suitable class, and the district watchmen's Committee have advised that the pay be increased, and that the increased scale of pay commence from the 1st of January, 1903. During the year, there were seven resignations and eight dismissals.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE.

A MEETING of the above-named Club will be held at the GOLF HOUSE, HAPPY VALLEY, on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at 5.30 P.M., when the following RESOLUTION will be submitted and, if approved, passed with or without any Modification or Alteration: —

"That on Friday afternoons during the months of next June, July, August, and September, the Club House and Links at Happy Valley be thrown open to Ladies introduced by Members."

E. J. CRISTY,
Hon. Secretary,
The Royal Hongkong Golf Club,
Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [5902]

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE No. 2 OF 1902.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THOMAS ADAM CLAYTON, of 212, WEST COULTER STREET, GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA, UNITED STATES, ACOUNTANT, FOR LETTERS PATENT FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE WITHIN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG, OF AN INVENTION FOR "AN IMPROVED METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR FUMIGATING AND EXTINGUISHING FIRES IN CLOSED COMPARTMENTS."

NOTICE is hereby given that the PETITION, DECLARATION and SPECIFICATION required by the above mentioned Ordinance have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and that it is the intention of the said THOMAS ADAM CLAYTON, by DENNYS and BOWLEY, his Solicitors, to apply at the Sitting of the Executive Council, hereinafter mentioned, for LETTERS PATENT for the exclusive use of the said invention within the Colony of Hongkong.

And Notice is hereby given that a sitting of the Executive Council before whom the subject matter of the said Petition will come for decision will be held at the Council Chamber, Victoria, Hongkong, on the 4th day of June, 1903.

Dated the 16th day of May, 1903.

DENNYS & BOWLEY,
Solicitors for the Applicant.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

"YUENSANG."

Captain S. J. Payne, will be despatched above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [5912]

S.S. "OCEANIEN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Malabar*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, the 16th instant, requesting delivery to be delayed.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent to me on or before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [5904]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamship

"NANKIN."

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees' of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, the 16th instant, requesting delivery to be delayed.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent to me on or before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [5904]

NOTICE.

THE LEAL SENADO DA CAMARA OF MACAO, duly authorized, will receive Tenders for the supply of ELECTRIC POWER to be used in the Lighting of the Public Streets of the City of Macao, under the following Conditions: —

I. The Tenders are to be forwarded, in sealed covers, addressed to the LEAL SENADO DA CAMARA, and delivered at the Secretary's Office of the same Department.

Shipping—Steamers.

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AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 16th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 1st June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTSZE"	On 4th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 9th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 15th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 20th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR"	On 27th June.
S.S. "ANTENOR" left Singapore 13th inst. a.m. and is due here 16th inst.		

HOMEBWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"PATROCLUS"	On 25th May.
LONDON	"CALCHIAS"	On 4th June.
*LIVERPOOL and GENOA	"HYSON"	On 12th June.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"ANTENOR"	On 23rd June.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"ALCINOUS"	On 27th July.
*LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 14th July.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"PELEUS"	On 21st July.
* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.		

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, &c.	"TELEMACHUS"	On 17th June.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI	"YUNNAN"	18th May.
CEBU and ILIOLO	"KWEIYANG"	18th "
SAM RANG and SOURABAYA	"HANYANG"	19th "
SHANGHAI	"WOOSUNG"	19th "
MANILA	"TSINGHAI"	20th "
MANILA	"TSINAN"	22nd "
THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TSINAN"	22nd "
CEBU and ILIOLO	"KAIPOONG"	26th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading in all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1903.

WING ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

THE Steamship

"CHU KONG,"
Capt. Mason.
Departures from HONGKONG to MACAO, Daily, at 7.30 A.M. SUNDAY including. Departures from MACAO to HONGKONG, Daily, at 2 P.M. SUNDAY including.
This Steamer is the fastest and has Superior Cabin Accommodation.
She will not run TO-DAY and TOMORROW, the 15th and 16th instant.

FARES:

1st Class.....\$1.50

2nd ".....70

3rd ".....30

Further Particulars may be obtained at the Office of the

WING ON STEAMSHIP CO., No. 42, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1903.

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AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL TRANSPORT LINE.

STEAM FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"HEATHFORD,"

will be despatched on or about 25th May.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., General Eastern Agents for China.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1903.

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HONGKONG, 14th May, 1903.

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REGULAR SERVICE

BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MANILA IN 48 HOURS.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

MANILA LINE.

Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled. Unrivalled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship. Captain. Tons. Sailing Date.

ROHILLA MARU E. P. Bishop ... 3,869 Thursday, 21st May, at 11 A.M.

ROSETTA MARU N. Tate 3,876 Wednesday, 27th May, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1903.

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K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

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REGULAR SERVICE

BETWEEN HONGKONG AND KOBE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"

Captain Mutton, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 19th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

DOUGLAS, LA'PRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1903.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ARAGONIA,"

Captain Forst, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Freight, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1903.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"

Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1903.

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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"STUTTGART,"

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LINIE.

Captain P. Grosch, due here with the outward German Mail about TUESDAY, A.M., the 19th instant, will leave for the above Places 12/24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LINIE.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1903.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

TO NEW YORK,

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL

(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"BENMOHR,"

Captain Wallace, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 3rd June.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1903.

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FOR GENOA, LONDON & ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"SAGAMI,"

25th May.

CHARLES TIBERGHEN, 13th June.

MACDUFF,

10th July.

For Freight and further Information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1903.

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Shipping—Steamers.

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SINGLE, \$25. RETURN, \$40.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric

Light. First Class Accommodation. Unrivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.

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Hongkong, 1st May, 1903.

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THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw

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"KWONG CHOW,"

1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONG

KONG for CANTON at 5.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS,

TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning to

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for First Class

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H.I.G.M.S. Jaguar... at Kowloon Dock.
H.I.G.M.S. Luchs... " " "
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Montanes... " " "
Canton River... " " "
San Joaquin... " " "
Loosok... " " "
Taichow... " " "Cosmopolitan
Gaelic... " " "

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—15th April—C. Ferd. Loeis, Resilia, 17th April—Mochoon, 21st April—Bentomond, Glenes, Ernest Simons, 28th April—Revers Rock, Intruder, 1st May—Triest, Bamberg, Mantua, 5th May—Roon, 8th May—Annan, Tumba Muru, Balente, 12th May—Glenloch, Yang Tze, Benvenue, Seneca, Kish.

Arrivals at Home—1st May—Glenyle, 5th May—Mochoon, Sydney, 8th May—Prinz Heinrich, Malta, 12th May—Formosa, 12th May—Indrude, Shimoda, Kam Tura Maru.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:—

Canton—Per Powan, 17th inst., 9 A.M.
Nanmio—Per Tailee, 17th inst., 9 A.M.

Canton—Per Kinshan, 18th inst., 9.30 A.M.
Cebu and Iloilo—Per Kwetyang, 18th inst.,

11 A.M.
Macao—Per Hengshan, 18th inst., 1.15 P.M.
Samarang and Sourabaya—Per Hanyang, 18th inst., 4 P.M.

Yokohama and Kobe—Per Maravia, 18th inst., 4 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Woonong, 18th inst., 4 P.M.
Kuching and Samsui—Per Tungkong, 18th inst., 4 P.M.

Yokohama and Kobe—Per Araonita, 18th inst., 4 P.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Caledon, 18th inst., 4.45 P.M.

Namtan—Per Tailee, 18th inst., 5 P.M.

Canton—Per Putshan, 19th inst., 5 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow—Per Hainan, 19th inst., 9 A.M.

Canton—Per Hankow, 19th inst., 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Seatai—Per Iyo Maru, 19th inst., 11 A.M.

Straits, Colombo and Bombay—Per China, 19th inst., 1 P.M.

Macao—Per Hengshan, 19th inst., 1.15 P.M.

Nanmio—Per Tailee, 19th inst., 5 P.M.

Canton—Per Powan, 19th inst., 5 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow—Per Hainan, 19th inst., 9 A.M.

Canton—Per Hankow, 19th inst., 11 A.M.

Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Kuman Maru, 20th inst., 11 A.M.

Macao—Per Hengshan, 20th inst., 1.15 P.M.

Manila—Per Sungki, 20th inst., 3 P.M.

For Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Kasuga Maru, 20th inst., 3 P.M.

Kuchuk and Samsui—Per Tungkong, 20th inst., 4 P.M.

Nanmio—Per Tailee, 20th inst., 5 P.M.

Canton—Per Hengshan, 20th inst., 10 A.M.

Macao, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Guelle, 21st inst., 5 P.M.

Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne—Per Tsinan, 22nd inst., 3 P.M.

Manila—Per Ruyi, 23rd inst., 9 A.M.

Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Portland, Or.—Per Indrapura, 23rd inst., 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Bengal, 23rd inst., 11 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Zilem, 27th inst., 10.30 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of China, 3rd June, 11 A.M.

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CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral—Communion, 7 a.m.
Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m.
Roman Catholic Cathedral—Mass at 6 a.m.
7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m. Benediction,
5.30 p.m.
German Bethesda Chapel, West Point—
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
St. Francis' Church, Wan Chai—Mass (Chin.)
6 a.m., (Port.), 7.30 a.m. Benediction,
5 p.m.
St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road—Morning
Service (English), 9 a.m.
St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point—Mass,
8 a.m., and 5.45 p.m.
Wesleyan Methodist Church—Services, 10.30
a.m., and 5.45 p.m.
Union Church—Services, 11 a.m., and 6 p.m.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.

QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Matins 11 a.m., Hymn 6; Venite, Battis-
hill; Te Deum, Russell; Benedictus Twle;
Kyrie, Hymns, 327, 223, and 47.
Holy Communion 12.20 p.m.
Evensong 6.30 p.m., Hymn 55; Magnificat,
Goss; Nunc, Stainer; Hymns, 331, 370, and 11.
The Church Launch Day will call on
the ships carrying white crews to bring friends
ashore to the services between 9.15 and 10.30
a.m., and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon
Police Pier, 10.30 and 6 p.m.) returning after-
wards. The "answering pennant" is the call
flag. All the sittings are free and unappro-
priated. Strangers welcome.
Sunday school to a.m.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg,
Acting Director of the Hongkong Obser-
vatory:—

On the 16th at 12.20 p.m. The depression
lying over Manchuria yesterday has moved
Eastwards into the N. part of the Sea of Japan.
Pressure has increased considerably and is
high over N. China; decreased slightly on the
S. coast.

The wind will freshen from N.E. in the For-
mosa Channel during the next 24 hours. Mod-
erate S.E. winds over the N. part of the China
Sea.

Forecast:—S.E. to E. wind, moderate to
fresh, unsettled, squally, and showery.

Telegraphic communication between the
Observatory and Hongkong remains inter-
rupted.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER REPORT.

On date at 12.20 p.m. On date at 12.20 p.m.
Barometer 29.93 29.87
Temperature 75 75
Humidity 81 85
Rainfall:—

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

May 15th, 1903, a.m. Bar. Th. Hu. Wind. Wr.

Wladivostok 7 a.m. 29.68 42.99 SE 4 f.
Vemuro 6. a.m. 29.65 — NW 8 —
Hakodate 39.66 — NW 4 —
Tokio 29.63 — — 0 —
Kochi 29.73 — — 0 —
Nagasaki 29.87 — — 0 —
Goshima 29.91 — N 1 2 —
Oshima 29.92 — NE 2 —
Naha 29.89 — NE 2 —
Ishigakijima 29.93 — NE 2 —
Takoku 5 a.m. 29.81 — S 2 —
Taichu 29.86 — SE 2 —
Tainan 29.88 — SE 2 —
Koshu 29.89 — E 4 —
Pescadores 29.89 — NE 6 —
Weihaiwei 9 a.m. — — —
Gulf of 39.97 66 89 S 3 bv
Sharp Peak 39.97 72 81 S 0 b
Amoy 6.30 a.m. 29.97 77 85 NE 1 o
Swatow 9 a.m. — — —
Canton 29.93 75 81 E 3 o
Hongkong 10 a.m. 29.93 75 81 E 3 o
Victoria Peak 29.91 — ENE 4 —
Gap Rock 29.93 78 — ESE 2 c
Macao 29.93 78 — ESE 2 c
Haliphong 29.93 78 — ESE 2 c
Manila 29.92 93 61 W 2 c
Malate 29.92 93 61 N 3 b
Bacolod 29.92 93 61 N 3 b
Iloilo 29.92 88 — NE 4 b
Cebu 29.94 86 — N 2 b
C. St. James 10 a.m. — — —

WEATHER-FORECASTS AND STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED

FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the
mast beside the Time-ball at Kowloon Point
for the information of masters of vessels leaving
the port. They do not imply that bad weather
is expected here:—

A DRUM indicates a typhoon to the East-
ward of the Colony, (i.e., in the East
quadrant, N.E. to S.E.)

A BALL indicates a typhoon to the West-
ward of the Colony, (i.e., in the West
quadrant, S.W. to N.W.)

A CONE Point Upwards indicates a typhoon
to the Northward of the Colony, (i.e., in
the North quadrant, N.W. to N.E.)

A CONE Point Downwards indicates a ty-
phoon to the Southward of the Colony,
(i.e., in the South quadrant, S.E. to S.W.)

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed
to be more than 300 miles away from
the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed
to be less than 300 miles away
from the Colony.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad
weather in the Colony and that the wind
is expected to veer.

Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate
bad weather in the Colony and that the
wind is expected to back.

The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of
the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also,
by day only, at the Harbour Office and on
H.M.'s Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching
typhoons by means of the Typhoon Gun placed
at the foot of the mast, which is fired whenever
a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

NOTICE BOARDS.

Notice boards are placed at:—

Joint Cable Companies' Office.

Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street.

Blake Pier.

Post Office.

Harbour Office.

Office of the Wharf & Godown Company,

Kowloon.

WEATHER-FORECASTS AND STORM-WARNINGS.

WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards
daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours,
day or night; whenever necessary. Informa-
tion of importance is also issued by "Express."

THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL

REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily
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